# **Division of Commercial Fisheries Sam Rabung, Director**

Region I, Petersburg Area Office PO Box 667 Petersburg, AK 99833



# Alaska Department of Fish and Game Doug Vincent-Lang, Commissioner

PO Box 115526 Juneau, AK 99811-5526 www.adfg.alaska.gov

CONTACT: Troy Thynes Region I Management Coordinator troy.thynes@alaska.gov (907) 772-3801

# Advisory Announcement

For Immediate Release: July 27, 2021

# SOUTHEAST ALASKA SALMON PURSE SEINE FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT

# District 1

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m., Thursday, July 29, through 8:00 p.m., Friday, July 30, 2021:

Section 1-F: will be open south and east of a line from California Head at 55°19.58′ N lat, 131°29.05′ W long to Spire Island Light at 55°16.05′ N lat, 131°29.95′ W long to a point on the western shore of Gravina Island at 55°14.91′ N lat (the latitude of the northernmost tip of Cone Point) then due west to the District 2 boundary with the following restrictions:

<u>Boca de Quadra</u>: will be closed south and east of a line from Foggy Point Light at 54°55.45′ N lat, 130°58.65′ W long to Black Rock Light at 55°01.40′ N lat, 131°03.55′ W long to the southernmost tip of Black Island at 55°07.91′ N lat, 131°04.85′ W long then due east to the mainland shore;

Nichols Passage: will be closed north of the latitude of the southernmost tip of Dall Head at 55°07.74′ N lat;

Carroll Inlet: will be closed north of the latitude of California Head at 55°19.58' N lat;

<u>Thorne Arm</u>: will be closed north and east of a line from the southernmost tip of Moth Point at 55°15.92′ N lat, 131°19.69′ W long to the northernmost tip of Cone Point at 55°14.91′ N lat, 131°19.04′ W long.

## District 2

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m., Thursday, July 29, through 8:00 p.m., Friday, July 30, 2021:

District 2: will be open within 0.5 nautical miles (nmi) of the Prince of Wales Island shoreline south of the latitude of Windfall Harbor at 55°36.02′ N lat and north of the latitude of Grindall Point at 55°27.10′ N lat and south of the latitude of Grindall Point at 55°27.10′ N lat with the following restrictions:

Cholmondeley Sound and contiguous waters: will be closed south of the latitude of the southernmost tip of Chasina Island at 55°16.32′ N lat;

<u>Moira Sound</u>: will be closed west of the longitude of the easternmost entrance of Menefee Anchorage at 132°00.35′ W long;

<u>Kasaan Bay, Skowl Arm, Twelve Mile Arm, and contiguous waters</u>: will be closed west of the longitude of Skowl Point Light at 132°16.17′ W long.

#### District 3

The following areas will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m., Thursday, July 29, through 8:00 p.m., Friday, July 30, 2021:

Section 3-A: will be open south of the latitude of the northernmost tip of Webster Point at 54°58.28′ N lat with the following restrictions:

<u>Dall Island Shore</u>: will be closed west of a line from the southernmost tip of Reef Point at 55°03.62′ N lat, 132°58.33′ W long to Shoe Island Light at 54°57.10′ N lat, 132°44.78′ W long to the westernmost tip of Datzkoo Point at 54°43.80′ N lat, 132°41.83′ W long;

Klakas Inlet, Hunter Bay, and contiguous waters: will be closed in all waters north and east of a line from a point near Ruth Cutoff located at 54°54.40′ N lat, 132°24.77′ W long to the southernmost tip of Klakas Island at 54°53.25′ N lat, 132°20.35′ W long to a point at 54°49.68′ N lat, 132°20.50′ W long;

Kassa Inlet: will be closed east of the longitude of Kassa Point at 132°31.62′ W long.

Section 3-B: will be open west of a line from Cape Lynch at 55°46.87′ N lat, 133°42.10′ W long to the northernmost tip of Point Animas at 55°32.06′ N lat, 133°27.37′ W long to the southwesternmost tip of Point Arboleda at 55°19.10′ N lat, 133°27.81′ W long with the following restriction:

<u>Port Asumcion:</u> will be closed north and west of a line from Point Cosinas at 55°21.80′ N lat, 133°30.64′ W long to a point west of Point Maria at 55°22.04′ N lat, 133°30.26′ W long.

### District 4

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m., Thursday, July 29, through 8:00 p.m., Friday, July 30, 2021:

District 4: will be open.

## District 5

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m., Thursday, July 29, through 8:00 p.m., Friday, July 30, 2021:

Shakan Bay: will be open east of the longitude of Station Island Light at 133°37.55′ W long.

#### District 6

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m., Thursday, July 29, through 8:00 p.m., Friday, July 30, 2021:

Section 6-D: Mosman Inlet and contiguous waters will be open east and north of a line from a point on the east side of Cooney Cove at 56°04.00′ N lat, 132°33.60′ W long to the easternmost tip of Stanhope Island at 56°01.41′ N lat, 132°35.66′ W long to Kelp Point at 55°57.75′ N lat, 132°27.07′ W long with the following restrictions:

<u>Burnett Inlet</u>: will be closed east of the southernmost tip of Fawn Island at 132°29.87′ W long and north of the latitude of Isle Point at 56°02.27′ N lat;

Mosman Inlet: will be closed north of the latitude of Marble Point at 56°04.29' N lat.

#### District 7

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m., Thursday, July 29, through 8:00 p.m., Friday, July 30, 2021:

Section 7-B: will be open east of a line from a point on the southern shore of Etolin Island located at 55°55.25′ N lat, 132°14.96′ W long to Union Point at 55°48.18′ N lat, 132°11.13′ W long.

## District 10

District 10: will be closed.

## District 12

The following areas will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Thursday, July 29, 2021:

Section 12-A: will be open in the following areas:

Kelp Bay: will be open west of a line from North Point at 57°17.61′ N lat, 134°49.89′ W long to South Point at 57°16.28′ N lat, 134°51.80′ W long and east of 134°57.07′ W long;

Point Augusta: will be open within 0.5 nmi of the Chichagof Island shoreline east of a line from a marker at 58°02.44′ N lat, 134°57.50′ W long to a point at 58°03.00′ N lat, 134°57.85′ W long, south of 58°03.00′ N lat, and north of the latitude of a regulatory marker at 58°01.63′ N lat (located 1.0 nmi south of Point Augusta Light);

Admiralty Island shoreline: will be open within 0.5 nmi of the Admiralty Island shoreline south of the latitude of Point Couverden at 58°11.39′ N lat, and north of the latitude of Point Marsden at 58°03.40′ N lat.

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Friday, July 30, 2021:

Admiralty Island shoreline: will be open within 1.0 nmi of the Admiralty Island shoreline south of the latitude of Point Marsden at 58°03.40′ N lat, and north of the latitude of Fishery Point at 57°47.36′ N lat.

#### District 13

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Thursday, July 29, 2021:

Section 13-A will be open in the following area:

Salisbury Sound: will be open east of the longitude of Kalinin Point at 135°48.07′ W long, and north of 57°19.70′ N lat with the following restriction:

Kakul Narrows, Peril Strait, and Fish Bay: will be closed east of 135°41.30' W long.

The following areas will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Thursday, July 29, and from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Friday, July 30, 2021:

Section 13-A: will be open in the following areas:

Portlock Harbor, Ogden Passage, Smooth Channel, Khaz Bay, Lake Anna, Sisters Lake, and Slocum Arm: will be open east of a line from Khaz Point at 57°30.15′ N lat, 136°01.33′ W long to Ninefoot Shoal Light at 57°34.83′ N lat, 136°05.82′ W long to the southernmost tip of Herbert Graves Island at 57°38.40′ N lat, 136°10.89′ W long to the southernmost tip of Point Hogan at 57°41.38′ N lat, 136°15.81′ W long to the light located on the southernmost tip of Hill Island at 57°43.67′ N lat, 136°16.57′ W long to a point on the Chichagof

Island shoreline at 57°46.13′ N lat, 136°16.81′ W long with the following restrictions:

Slocum Arm: will be closed south and east of 135°54.86′ W long;

Klag Bay, Lake Anna, and Sisters Lake: will be closed north and east of a line from 57°36.93′ N lat, 136°06.42′ W long to 57°36.74′ N lat, 136°05.78′ W long;

Ford Arm: will be closed east of 136°00.03′ W long.

Lisianski Inlet and **Lisianski Strait**: will be open south of a line from the northernmost tip of Soapstone Point at 58°06.33′ N lat, 136°29.86′ W long to the westernmost tip of Column Point at 58°07.21′ N lat, 136°26.88′ W long and north of **57°54.54′ N lat** with the following restriction:

Lisianski Strait: will be closed south of 57°55.39' N lat.

Section 13-B: Redoubt Bay, Kanga Bay, and contiguous waters will be open east of 135°22.76′ W long.

#### District 14

The following areas will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Thursday, July 29, 2021:

Section 14-B: will be open south of the latitude of Crist Point at 58°10.27′ N lat;

Section 14-C: will be open within 1.0 nmi of the Chichagof Island shoreline west of a line from Neck Point at 58°07.07′ N lat, 135°19.24′ W long to Spasski Island at 58°07.99′ N lat, 135°16.35′ W long.

<u>Chinook Salmon Landing Restrictions</u>: All Chinook salmon harvested in the Deep Inlet Terminal Harvest Area (THA) must be retained and may be sold. For all other fishing areas, Chinook salmon 28 inches or greater in length may NOT be retained and Chinook salmon less than 28 inches may be retained but not sold. These restrictions will be in effect until at least July 31, 2021.

Fishermen, tenders, and processors are reminded that all salmon, including steelhead, commercially harvested but retained for personal use and not sold, must be reported on fish tickets at the time of delivery.

To date, 1,337 sockeye salmon have been counted at the Hugh Smith Lake weir. The current weir count projects to a total escapement of 3,880 sockeye salmon, below the optimal escapement goal range of 8,000–18,000 sockeye salmon. The department will continue to monitor the sockeye salmon escapement as the season progresses and will take management actions in District 1 through statistical week 33.

The next seine announcement will be issued on **Saturday**, **July 31**, **2021**.

Under Alaska's Health Advisories 1, 2, 3, and 4, commercial fishing is an Essential Business and is part of Alaska's Essential Services and Critical Infrastructure. Commercial fishermen should ensure that all travel and other activities in support of commercial fishing operations follow protocols in Alaska COVID-19 Health Advisories. COVID-19 Health Advisories may be found here: <a href="https://covid19.alaska.gov/health-advisories/">https://covid19.alaska.gov/health-advisories/</a>.

The Emergency Order corresponding with this announcement is EO 1S3621.

# Southeast Alaska Purse Seine Harvest Estimates Statistical Week 31

**Preliminary Estimates Compiled July 27, 2021** 

# NUMBERS OF SALMON

Area	Chinook	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total	Boats
District 1	0	15,000	4,500	650,000	21,000	690,500	55
District 2	0	5,500	4,400	215,000	73,000	297,900	30
District 3	0	500	300	8,000	26,000	34,800	9
District 4	0	40,000	18,500	540,000	37,000	635,500	53
District 10	0	150	450	23,000	5,000	28,600	12
Port Frederick	0	170	150	29,300	400	30,020	9
Admiralty Island Shoreline	0	1,800	300	197,000	1,400	200,500	12
Section 13-A	0	750	420	103,000	1,900	106,070	21
Total	0	63,870	29,020	1,765,300	165,700	2,023,890	180

	FISH PER BOAT						
Area	Chinook	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total	
District 1	0	273	82	11,818	382	12,555	
District 2	0	183	147	7,167	2,433	9,930	
District 3	0	56	33	889	2,889	3,867	
District 4	0	755	349	10,189	698	11,991	
District 10	0	13	38	1,917	417	2,383	
Port Frederick	0	19	17	3,256	44	3,336	
Admiralty Island Shoreline	0	150	25	16,417	117	16,708	
Section 13-A	0	36	20	4,905	90	5,051	

Section 7-B, Point Augusta, Southeast Cove and Thomas Bay THAs: Confidential.

Section 13-B: no effort.

Deep Inlet THA harvest to date: 2,700 Chinook and 63,500 chum salmon.

Advisory Announcement web site: <a href="http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=cfnews.main">http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=cfnews.main</a>.

Office	Ketchikan	Petersburg	Wrangell	Sitka	Juneau	Haines	Yakutat
ADF&G	225-5195	772-3801		747-6688	465-4250	766-2830	784-3255
AWT	225-5111	772-3983	874-3215	747-3254	465-4000	766-2533	784-3220